



## **The New Markets Tax Credit Program (NMTC): An Investment Opportunity for Brownfields**

The federal NMTC Program permits taxpayers to receive a credit against Federal income taxes for making qualified equity investments in designated Community Development Entities (CDEs). These CDEs in turn make investments in low-income communities. Under the FY2003 NMTC guidelines, brownfields redevelopment is considered a qualified investment. The credit to investors totals 39% of the cost of the investment and is claimed over a seven-year period. NMTC is a part of the Treasury Department's Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund.

CDEs are now applying for NMTC allocations to enable them to provide tax credits to investors (deadline is September 30, 2003). As they develop their applications, CDEs in your area may be interested in learning about your brownfields projects. To see a listing of CDEs nationwide, go to [http://www.cdfifund.gov/docs/2003\\_nmtc\\_certified\\_cde\\_byorgstate.pdf](http://www.cdfifund.gov/docs/2003_nmtc_certified_cde_byorgstate.pdf)

To learn more about the NMTC Program or how your organization can become a CDE, please visit <http://www.cdfifund.gov/programs/nmtc> or call (202) 622-7373.

For information on financial incentives for brownfields cleanup and redevelopment, visit the US EPA's Brownfields web site at: [www.epa.gov/brownfields](http://www.epa.gov/brownfields)